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LIKE TO GO TO FUNERALS.

Many New York Women Make a Practice of Attending All the Services They Can.

Undertakers say that hundreds of people make a practice of going around from church to church to attend the various funeral services. It is a notion of recent growth, but it is becoming very popular, says the New York Sun.

The special attraction in the case of Catholic churches is said to be the fine music which usually attends the celebration of a solemn high mass for the repose of the soul of the dead. Where the services of more than two clergymen are employed the attraction is all the greater, the undertakers say.

"It is rapidly becoming the popular thing," said one of the latter. "I thought it odd at first and wondered how it was that the same faces were to be seen at so many church funerals. I made inquiries and learned that a number of women make it a rule to scan the death columns every morning to pick out what promises to be a fashionable funeral service."

"Some of them go to Brooklyn and Jersey even to satisfy their craving for pomp and sweet music. The mere fact that in many church funerals a card of admission is required does not seem to keep them away either. The sexton of one of the biggest churches on Fifth avenue told me that he knew more than 500 women who make a practice of attending church funerals. He added that it would be impossible almost to drag these same women to a church wedding. There is something so magnetic in church funerals as to be simply irresistible to them. Why it is I can't say."

The pastor of one of the biggest churches in Brooklyn was asked to give an opinion as to the influence which induces women to attend church funerals indiscriminately, and he replied that it was a weakness to be seen and seen, rather than any desire to listen to the organ and the choir during services.

"I have noticed," said this clergyman, "that some of these women attend themselves in mourning whenever they attend services of this kind, regardless of the fact that they may have had no acquaintance with the deceased or his family. I have seen these women in the most gaudy frocks in the afternoon after the funeral services in the morning. It is just a woman's idea about keeping her mind amused, I suppose, though I must say it is stretching the imagination a long way. Hundreds now go to church funerals five or more times a week, and it is my candid opinion that they could not be dragged to church for any other purpose."

DO COWS CRY?

Poignant Grief Manifested by an Animal Whose Calf Had Been Killed.

A correspondent writing to Dumb Animals says: Dumb animals are said to have a "sign" language of their own by which they make known the emotions of pleasure or pain and a limited catalogue of wants and sorrows. Recently I had occasion to dispose of a five-months-old calf which was taken away about noon and butchered a short distance from my residence.

When the cow came home at night she missed the calf, and, although an orphan calf was permitted to suck, she continued to call it by affectionate moaning and looking. The cow, however, only gave about one quart of milk instead of a gallon or more, as formerly. During the night she lowed frequently for her calf, and the next morning when it did not appear she exhibited unmistakable signs of grief. She was driven to the woods with her mate, but came back and continued lowing until noon. She came inside the inclosure, but would not eat grass.

Just after dinner a great commotion was heard in the direction where the calf was butchered, made by a number of cattle lowing, having scented the fresh blood. The grief-stricken mother cow ran to the closed gate and looked beseechingly toward me, as much as to say: "Please open the gate," which, being done, she started on a run to where the other cattle were lowing.

In a short time she came slowly walking back to the house and was again permitted to come inside the inclosure, when she deliberately took up a position at the kitchen door, wistfully looking in much despair at each member of the family as they happened to pass her. The tears flowed copiously from her eyes, and there she stood the balance of the afternoon, weeping incessantly, with the same apparent grief that a mother would for her dead child. It really caused me to shed tears of sympathy for the poor animal.

Planted by Martha Washington.

One of the interesting things at Williamsburg, is a new tree, one of the few in the United States, which stands within the grounds of the Virginia state insane asylum. It was planted by Martha Washington on the day she became engaged to her husband, and symbolizes devotion and constancy. The asylum occupies the site of her mansion, which is called "The Six-Chimney House," and was one of the finest in Virginia, but was burned many years ago. All that remains of it is the cookhouse, which was detached, and thus escaped the flames. It is now used as a toolhouse for the gardener. A pasture adjoining the grounds of the asylum is strewn with charred brick which are said to have been from the walls of Martha Washington's house, and many of them have been carried away as mementoes by curious visitors.—William E. Curtis, in Chicago Record-Herald.

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Wm. Trauernicht, Guardian of the person and Curator of the estate of John Meyer, insane.

Thomas J. Hickman, Guardian of person and Curator of estate of Chas. Henry Gray, minor.

W. T. Gay, Curator of the estate of Charles P. Ruhl, minor.

William Koebbel, Administrator with will annexed of the estate of Frederick Toppe, deceased.

John Henry Huebnerhoff, Administrator C. T. A. of the estate of Caroline Heinrich, deceased.

Tuesday, November 12.

George Schultz, Guardian of person and Curator of estate of Louis B. Schultz, minor.

George Schultz, Guardian of person and Curator of estate of Fred W. Schultz, minor.

George Schultz, Guardian of person and Curator of estate of Albert E. Schell, minor.

August Rieke, Guardian of person and Curator of estate of Matilda Rieke, minor.

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Wednesday, November 13.

John Schwab, Guardian of person and Curator of estate of Mary E. Tiley, minor.

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